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**VIA E-MAIL**

Samuel Sinyangwe  
MuckRock News  
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Re: Garden Grove Police Department – Public Records Act Request  
Received January 2, 2019 – Notice of Determination

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe:

This office provides legal services to the Garden Grove Police Department (the “Department”). I have been asked to respond to your recent records request on behalf of the Department. This letter shall serve as notification of the Department’s intent to comply with your request for public records pursuant to the California Public Records Act (“PRA” or the “Act”) (Government Code § 6250 *et seq.*).

Your request, which was received by the Department on January 2, 2019, seeks various records related to instances in which force was used by officers employed by the Department. On January 14, 2019, I advised you of the Department’s decision to extend the time by which a response would be provided to your request by 14 days.

The Department has now used reasonable efforts to locate responsive, or potentially responsive, records in an effort to provide you with the information you requested. Specifically, your request seeks information pertaining to:

- The total number of police use of force incidents, by type of force used, between 2013-2017 (separated by year);
- The total number of people that police used force against, between 2013-2017 (separated by year);
- The total number of police use of force complaints reported between 2013-2017 (separated by year); and
- The total number of police use of force complaints sustained between 2013-2017 (separated by year).

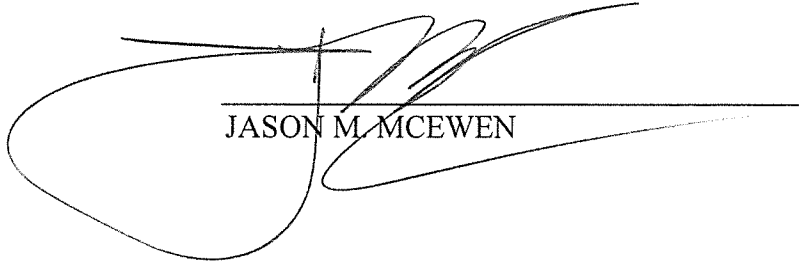
Please see the enclosed chart in response to your request.

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If you have any questions regarding this response, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Cordially,

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<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of People</b>	<b>Conducted Electrical Weapon</b>	<b>Physical Force</b>	<b>Deadly Force/Officer Involved Shooting</b>	<b>Less-Lethal Shotgun/Pepper Ball/Pepper Spray</b>	<b>Baton/Impact Weapon</b>	<b>Carotid Restrain</b>	<b>Use of Force Complaints</b>	<b>Sustained Use of Force Complaints</b>
<b>2013</b>	16	8	2	3	1	1	2	5	1
<b>2014</b>	11	2	2	3	0	3	1	1	1
<b>2015</b>	13	5	2	2	0	3	1	3	2
<b>2016</b>	9 Identified*	4	1	2	0	2	0	1	0
<b>2017</b>	15	4	0	1	2	4	4	2	0

\*One incident in which force was used involved an incident in which Garden Grove Officers assisted a nearby agency (Santa Ana PD) in response to a riot. The total number of individuals against whom force was used during this incident is unknown.